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TO Chief of Station, ☐ ☐

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SUBJECT { GENERAL Operational/INX
SPECIFIC *Josef Zoltan MAIRA and James HERSIMAY*

*Acquainted with Zoltan MAIRA ☐
BORN-LIECHENFELD, Switzerland - PRR/Hungary*

Reference: ESM-21853 ☐ ☐

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1. The following report from Munich is passed ☐ ☐

"Under separate cover is a report by ☐ ☐ on the activities of Dr. Zoltan MAIRA during a trip to Switzerland from 19 March to 2 April 1956. Subsequent to ☐ ☐ before the party left Munich, MAIRA made contact in Switzerland with a James HERSIMAY and a Thomas (Tome) LWE. ☐ ☐ was later introduced to and talked from HERSIMAY that the latter is a photographic expert and is accomplished in micro-photography. ☐ ☐ found it passing strange that HERSIMAY, according to his own statements, had succeeded in purchasing his own apartment in Born-Liechenfeld, furnishing it with furniture exceeding 3,000 Swiss francs in value, and owning photographic equipment worth several thousands of Swiss francs, all on the basis of free lance photographic work since the Fall of 1955. Prior to that, according to HERSIMAY, he had spent with his wife some 12-15 months in a sanatorium and had otherwise been engaged in manual type labor, since he and his wife fled to the West from Hungary in 1950. HERSIMAY also revealed that he was a good friend of (Dr.) Zoltan WILSI, of the WIKI intelligence agency, and that WILSI often visited him in Born."

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2. Neither HSB nor Headquarters have names or HERSIMAY. Dr. Zoltan MAIRA is the editor of a "Free Hungarian newspaper" in Munich.

3. The following information should not be passed to Liaison.

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